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Applicants are hereby submitting references for the Examiner's consideration. However, they are mindful of the large number of references that have been cited in the IDS and attendant 1449 form filed herewith. These references have arisen during multiple litigations and oppositions involving patents that relate to the present application as well as the normal course of prosecution. Applicants have cited them to fulfill their duty of disclosure. In an effort to make the review of these references more manageable on the Examiner, Applicants have provided the PTO with multiple copies of two compact discs (CDs) with the references available for electronically viewing or searching. Previous versions of this IDS and CD set

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have been submitted to the PTO for references that were available at the time that the CDs were created. Since preparation and submission to Examiner of the latest CDs and IDS, the references on the attached form 1449 have been identified and hard copies of same are enclosed herewith.

Applicants wish to identify an interference that has been declared between an application that is related to the present application. The application serial number is 09/063,933 and the interference is declared with U.S. Patent No. 6,054,270 (E. Southern). The interference no. is 104,658.

The references cited on the attached form PTO-1449 are being called to the attention of the Examiner. Copies of the references are enclosed. As provided for by 37 CFR 1.97(g) and (h), no representation is being made that a search has been conducted or that this statement encompasses all the possible relevant information, and no inference should be made that the information and references cited are, or are considered to be material to patentability because they are in this statement. No inference should be made that the information and references cited are prior art merely because they are in this statement.

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Applicant believes that <u>no fee is required</u> for submission of this statement, since it is being submitted prior to the first Office Action. However, if a fee is required, the Commissioner is authorized to deduct such fee from the undersigned's Deposit Account No. 20-1430. Please deduct any additional fees from, or credit any overpayment to, the above-noted Deposit Account.

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